

Open Burning & Firefighter Training In New Hampshire

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TODAY'S TOPICS

- ☞ Open Burning
 - ✓ History of the Law
 - ✓ Acceptable & Unacceptable
 - ✓ Helpful Handouts

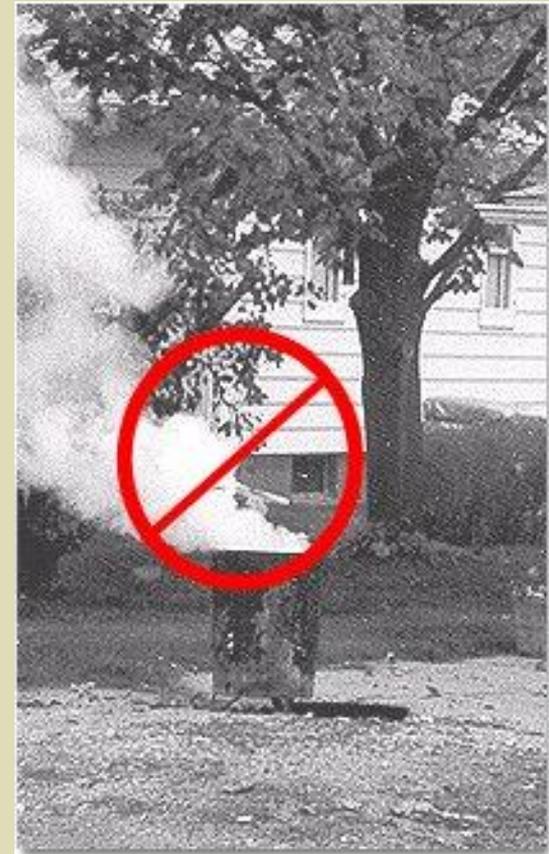
- ☞ Live Firefighter Training
 - ✓ What is allowed
 - ✓ Process



History of Open Burning Laws and Rules

☞ 1973 - Rules in effect

☞ 2001 - Banned Residential
Trash Burning



History of Open Burning Laws and Rules

Effective January 2008

- RSA 125-C:10-c banned the burning of the clean wood component of Construction and Demolition debris (C&D).
- Env-A 1001.05, adopted to clarify that the on-site burning of C&D is allowed provided that it:
 - ✓ Originates from a private single family residence, and
 - ✓ Is untreated wood (“clean wood”).



Acceptable Materials

Brush

Brush means: tree tops, limbs, saplings and tree cuttings, including attached leaves, which are 5 inches in diameter or less.

Acceptable Materials



Acceptable Materials (cont.)

- ✓ Charcoal
- ✓ Campfire wood



Not Acceptable (cont.)

- **Combustible Domestic Waste**

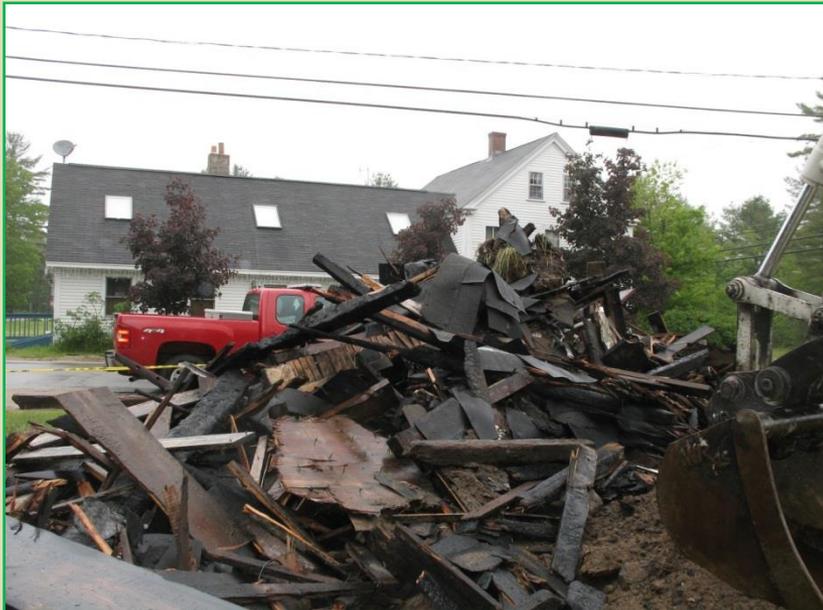
- **Tires and tubes**

- **Wood in any form (i.e., dimensional lumber, brush, fire wood, cordwood, etc.) that is:**
 - Painted
 - Stained
 - Pressure treated
 - Glued
 - Etc.

Not Acceptable (cont.)



More Not Acceptable



More Not Acceptable



Helpful Handouts

- ☞ DRED and DES 2013 Quick Guide and Poster
- ☞ DES Brochure – Residential Trash Burning
- ☞ DES Fact Sheet – Q&A On Burning C&D
- ☞ DES Open Burning Web Site

www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/air/cb/ceps/npsap/index.htm

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Firefighter Instruction & Training

Provides the opportunity for live firefighting instruction and training, provided certain conditions are met.



Firefighter Instruction & Training

☞ The following can be burned:

- ✓ solid fuels
- ✓ liquid fuels
- ✓ motor vehicles, or
- ✓ structures



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Conditions:

- ☞ Sponsored by a Fire Service Organization
- ☞ State Certified Fire Instructor or Specialty Instructor must directly control and supervise the firefighting & training activities.



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Conditions (cont.):

 **Submit a completed “ARD-1003 Form:”**

- ✓ 10-days prior to the training
- ✓ Certified by responsible official

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Conditions (cont.):

☞ **Prior to a structure burn, complete the following:**

- ✓ Asbestos inspection
- ✓ Abatement of any asbestos



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And

☞ **Remove and properly dispose of all:**

- ✓ Mercury-containing thermostats
- ✓ Fluorescent lamps
- ✓ Fuel oil tanks
- ✓ Paints & solvents
- ✓ Pesticides, insecticides & fertilizer
- ✓ Hazardous materials
- ✓ Residential trash
- ✓ Furniture and appliances (*not part of training*)



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Ash Must Be Properly Disposed



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QUESTIONS

